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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Benne VELSHER

Serial No: 09/972,282

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For: OPTO-ELECTRONIC PACKAGE FOR  
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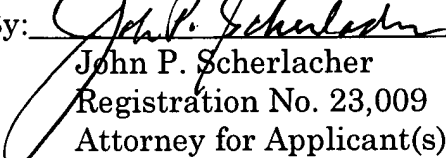
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